

Board Report

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RECOMMENDATION:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

This Agreement provides legal support services including legal assistance and community education for seniors 60 years of age or older, elder abuse prevention education for professionals working with seniors, and caregiver assistance for those caring for someone 60 or over.

Legal Services for Seniors has been a contractor with the Monterey County Department of Social Services (DSS) for more than 20 years. This contract was recently awarded through a formal Request For Proposal (RFP) process in April 2017.

This Agreement is funded through the Older Americans Act (OAA); DSS follows purchasing and contracting procedures required by the California Department of Aging that oversees all programs funded through the OAA.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Auditor-Controller and Purchasing have reviewed and approved this agreement. County Counsel has approved the agreement as to form.

FINANCING:

Funding is provided by the Older Americans Act. Sufficient appropriations and estimated revenues in SOC010 are included in the FY 2017-18 Recommended Budget. Approval of this action has no impact on the County General Fund contributions.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

This Agreement correlates to the Health & Human Services Strategic Initiative adopted by the Board of Supervisors by working towards the goals of improving health and quality of life outcomes by providing legal services to seniors in Monterey County.

Check the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives: Economic Development Administration X Health & Human Services Infrastructure Public Safety

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Attachments: Legal Services for Senior Agreement 2017-2018

Proposed agreement is on file with Clerk of the Board as an attachment to this Board Report